

Ancestry of John Crook

o 1

1066 AD Crook spelled Croc one of the oldest English Surnames occurs in the Domesday Book in Nottinghamshire & Hampshire

1205 AD William Crooke the first to live in Lancashire is a witness to Crosston's will  
Robert Crooke of Clayton little-le- woods settled before 1108. Three brothers seemed to have been in the Army in Ireland together and settled in Lancashire in 1210, Arnold, Adam and Robert

1327 AD Adam Crooke pays 125 subsidy holding Clayton  
1332 " William Crooke possesses Clayton  
1413 " John Crooke succeeds Richard at Clayton  
1507 " Wm Crooke dies before this date possessed of Clayton.  
1590 " George Crooke of Newbourn by his will dated 22 August - after "commending his soul to Almighty God my only comfort" and requesting his "body to be buried in the Parish Church ward at Ormskirk-Church" etc  
As concerning my goods - fyrst-ye vs my Will and myad they be divided into three parts - one part I give to my wife Margaret and one part to my children William, Margaret, Eliza, and Grace Crooke - I give and bequeth to my sonne John my plough & harrowe one paid of wheels (wheels) with all other things thereto belonging, one pair lornes at his own choyse, one great chere with a back, one long board and my best coat" etc etc  
John seems to have remained in the vicinity of Ormskirk and he goes to Rogers in Mary Parish. Nothing further is known of him until his death.

No 1

William Crooke's will is dated 11 July 1611. His wife must have died before him as she is not mentioned. He leaves his son Samuel one cow his sister Elizabeth 20s the remainder of his money after debts and funeral expenses are paid is divided among his son's children.  
His son Henry is said to be owing him £1 10s  
Foregoing is from "Abley Crook

Samuel Crooke of Little Lever seems to have located on a farm soon after his father's death. The first entry of Crooke's on the Bolton parish register is "Ichabode filius Samuel de son Leaver 19 August 1621

Children

x Ichabode born 19 Aug 1621 died 22 Jan 1694-5

Mary " 24 April 1624  
Thomas " 12 May 1629

x Ichabode Crooke seems to have remained in the same vicinity as his father as his children were christened at the Bolton church and he is said to have been of Percy Percy Leaver. He married - Alice who died 22 Feb 1692-3

Children

Thomas " 23 Oct 1632  
x John " 15 June 1645 died 7-10 Dec. 1696  
Roger " 7 Dec 1647 " 15 Oct 1720  
Mary " 7 " 1651 " an infant  
Samuel " 2 Oct 1653

James	bn	16 May 1655	"	12 May 1741
Jane	"	7 May 1657	"	12 Jan 1741
Joshua	"	2 Feb 1661	"	27 Aug 1691
Jonathan		26 Jan 1663	"	22 July 1663
Alice		12 May 1664	nd	Geo. Crompton

x John Crooke of Little Bolton nd. later Wansley at the Bolton Church 26 April 1672 she died at the age of 45 yr on the 24 May 1691. Their children were born at Little Bolton and christened at the Bolton church

#### Children

x	John	born	14 May 1673	died	27 April 1768	age	95
	Samuel	"	23 April 1676	"			
	Susannah	"	6 July 1677	"	28 Nov 1678		
	Roger	"	17 July 1679	"	28 Jan 1720		
	James	"	15 Aug 1681	"	12 Jan 1741		
	Joseph	"	7 Aug 1684	"	31 May 1709		
	Benjamin	"	19 Oct 1686	"	24 Dec 1739		
	Hannah	"	1 Dec 1688	"	6 Nov 1746		

x JOHN Crook of Harwood located on a farm which became known as "Crook Fold". The farm was the property of the Earl of Derby and remained in the family for 300 years. John nd. Alice who died at the age 71 yrs on the 15 Jan 1723 some of their descendants lived to a good age as shown by the family bible

#### Children born at Harwood

	John	bn	13 Feb 1714	died	7 Oct 1796	age	82
	William	bn	15 Jan 1716	"	19 Nov 1739		
	Thomas	"	19 Oct 1718	"	20 Dec 1779		
	Alice	"	30 Apr 1721				
	Joshua	"	10 July 1723	"	10 Jan 1777		
x	Peter	"	4 April 1725	"	30 Dec 1771		
	James	"	10 Feb 1727	"	17 Oct 1771	4 or 7)	

x Peter Crook of Longworth nd. Hannah Barlow dau of Robert and Alice. They were married at the Bolton church 27 June 1747 (1789). Peter seems to have left the English Church as none of his children are christened there. When the Wansley Chapel records begin his sons and daughter are christened there. One Jones Crook who was living at Egerton in 1895 and then in his 73 year informed us that these Crook were the children of Peter the data is further evidence of the fact

#### Children born taken from age and date of death

	John	born	1747	died	3 Dec 1833	age	86
	Robert	"	1749	"	3 March 1826	"	77
	William	"	1752				
	James	"	1754	"	2 July 1790	"	36
	Alice	"	1756	nd.	John Holden		
	Peter	"	1758	died	8 Feb 1824	"	66
x	Thomas	"	19 Jan 1764	"	20 March 1840	"	80

x Thomas Crook of Wastons farm, Burton married Hannah (unnamed) dau of John and Ann. They were nd at Bolton Church 14 May 1788 she died born 20 March 1768 and died 20 March 1845. Their children mostly born at the Wastons farm and christened at the Wansley Chapel but were not registered except the last two

by a note when Charles was christened the person entered all the children record at the request of the parents. After the death of Thomas his son Luke and dau. remained on the farm untill the latter part of their lives when they moved to a small farm at Sharples.

Uncle Peter Mayho relates that it was the custom of Thomas for some years to have his nine sons follow him with a scythe mowing in the hay field for at least one day during the season. Ruth and Peter Mayho they had one child who died young lost of the family married and had large families.

#### Children

Mannah or Manny	born 29 March 1790	age 89	md W. Halden	
John	" 29 June 1791	died 26 May 1859		age 68 yrs
James	" 12 Oct 1792	" 1865	" 73 "	
Thomas	" 14 " 1794	" 1865	" 72 "	
Joseph	" 1 May 1797	" 2 Nov 1876	" 79 "	
Luke	" 22 Sep 1799	" 21 Dec 1882	" 83 "	
x Dan	" 12 June 1801	" 3 Aug 1852	" 51 "	
Mary	" 7 May 1803	" 6 Oct 1880	" 77 "	
Ruth	" 27 June 1806	" 1886	" 80 "	
Peter	" 20 Oct 1808	" 1881	" 78 "	
Charles	" 9 May 1810	" 15 Aug 1847	" 37 "	
Robert	" 1 July 1812	" 20 Sep 1888	" 76 "	

x Dan Crook was born at Rushton farm and spent most of his single life there he married Margaret Kay 7 Jan 1824 she died 20 March 1880. They lived at Egly where their children were born. He worked at the Egly Mills untill he came to the United States in 1852. He died at Council Bluffs on the 5 of Aug 1852. He was baptized Sept 1840 and was ordained an Elder and spent some time as a missionary before he left England. Uncle Peter remembers accompanying him to Tyldesley. He was the means of bringing Uncle Peter in the church

#### Children of Dan Crook & Margaret Kay

Betsy born 11 June 1825 md Edmund Kay who was born in 1826 and died 24 Aug 1835. She died 21 Sep 1897 at Council Bluffs where they lived.  
 Alice born 25 May 1829 md Tho. Gillings they had two children John & Sarah Jane. She died 27 Nov 1877 at Council Bluffs where they resided.  
 x John born 11 Oct 1831 living  
 Ann born 19 July 1834 died 11 June 1835

x John Crook born at Egly near Bolton md Mary Giles dau. of W. Giles and Sarah Huskinson who was born 13 April 1833 at Colverton England they were married by Jonakhan O Duke Up of Prove 1st Ward, where they lived and all their children except the first was born

#### Children

John Wm	born 9 April 1858	Age	1866
Sarah Elizabeth	" 28 Nov 1859	"	29 Aug 1868
Heber Giles	" 18 Sep 1861	"	6 Aug 1871
Geo. Franklin	" 9 Nov 1863	died	28 Apr 1864
Mary Jane	" 29 May 1865	Age	21 Sep 1873
Thos. Huskinson	" 25 Apr 1867	"	29 July 1877
Frederick	" 17 Aug 1869	"	22 Aug 1881
James	" 5 Jan 1872	died	23 Jan 1872
Margaret Ann	" 18 Jan 1876	Age	3 Dec 1884